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STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
120TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1366, L.D. 1823, "Resolve, to Create a Commission to Study Issues Concerning Changes to the Traditional Uses of Maine Forests and Lands, Including Camp Lot Lease Arrangements and Public Enjoyment"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 5 and inserting in its place the following:

**Sec. 5. Duties. Resolved:** That the commission shall study the economic and societal impact of the termination of camp lot lease arrangements and of the public enjoyment of state lands, including the lands of the unorganized territory, and develop a plan to preserve the traditional camp lot lease arrangements in and public enjoyment of state lands.

1. In conducting the study, the commission shall examine and report on the following issues:

A. The history of and recent changes to camp lot lease arrangements in state lands, including those of the unorganized territory;

B. Efforts to help promote the State's working forests;

C. The economic impact of the termination of camp lot leases and of the closing of public access;

D. The economic impact of the real estate transfer tax program and the maintenance of land for tree growth;

E. Issues of colonial law and any other legal implications arising in this context;

**SENATE AMENDMENT**

2 F. The traditional camp lot lease arrangements in the state  
lands purchased by private individuals; and

4 G. The impact on individuals whose camp lot leases are  
terminated.


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8 The plan must, to the extent possible, build upon current efforts  
and must include an estimate of the costs associated with  
implementing it; and be it further

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12 Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 8  
and inserting in its place the following:

14 'Sec. 8. Report. Resolved: That the commission shall submit  
16 its report, including the plan required by section 5 of this  
resolve, together with any necessary implementing legislation, to  
18 the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary no later than November  
1, 2001. The Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary may report  
20 out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 120th  
Legislature. If the commission requires a limited extension of  
22 time to conclude its work, it may apply to the Legislative  
Council, which may grant the extension; and be it further' '

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26 **SUMMARY**

28 This amendment changes the duties of the Commission to Study  
Issues Concerning Changes to the Traditional Uses of Maine  
30 Forests and Lands by removing the requirement that the commission  
review the history of public enjoyment of state lands and  
32 formulate a plan to preserve that enjoyment and adherence to  
Maine tax law. The amendment also requires the commission to  
34 report to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, which may  
report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 120th  
36 Legislature.

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42 (Senator KILKELLY)  
44 COUNTY: Lincoln

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